Sir. Eight proposals have been received from the State PWD of Chhattisgarh for strengthening and widening of National Highways in the State. The above proposals are included in the Annual Plan 2005-06.

Regulatory framework for SSIs

†1247. DR. CHHATTRAPAL SINGH LODHA:
SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL:

Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considerign to formulate a regulatory framework related to the Small Scale Industries so that it may grow in a competitive environment;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are also contemplating to implement the single window clearance system to establish Small Scale Industries;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether Government are also contemplating to raise the financial limit of those units from Rs. 5 crore so that they may continue to be covered under the small scale?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) to (b) Government has introduced the Small and Medium Enterprises Development Bill, 2005 in Lok sabha in May 2005 with a view, *inter alia*, to enhancing the competitiveness and facilitating the promotion and developrnent of small and medium enterprises. This Bill also provides for simplifying and harmonizing the existing regulatory framework for small enterprises.

(c) and (d) Being primarily responsible for promotion and development of small scale industries, the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations implement various measures, including single window clearance system, to facilitate the establishment of small scale industries.

(e) The Small and Medium Enterprises Development Bill, 2005 defines a small enterprise engaged in manufacturing as one in which the investment in plant and machinery, excluding land and building, is up to Rs. 5 crore.

SSIs in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh

†1248. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

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